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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
5 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
6 AT TACOMA

7 REGINALD BELL, SR.,

8 Petitioner,

9 v.

10 ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE  
11 OF WASHINGTON,

12 Respondent.

No. C12-5215 RBL/KLS

ORDER DIRECTING SUBSTITUTION OF  
PARTY

13 Mr. Bell has filed a proposed petition for writ of habeas corpus naming the Attorney  
14 General of the State of Washington as Respondent. ECF No. 1-1. The proper respondent to a  
15 habeas petition is the “person who has custody over [the petitioner].” 28 U.S.C. § 2242; see also  
16 § 2243; *Brittingham v. United States*, 982 F.2d 378 (9th Cir. 1992); *Dunne v. Henman*, 875 F.2d  
17 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989). According to his petition, Mr. Bell is currently confined at the Coyote  
18 Ridge Corrections Center. The Superintendent of the Coyote Ridge Corrections Center is Jeffrey  
19 Uttecht.

20 Accordingly, the Clerk of Court is directed to substitute Jeffrey Uttecht as the  
21 Respondent in this action.

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23 **DATED** this 26th day of March, 2012.

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26 Karen L. Strombom  
United States Magistrate Judge